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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 12, 2002, please amend the application as follows. A Petition for one month Extension of Time, up to and including March 12, 2003, and authorization to charge the fee of \$55.00 for a small entity to Deposit Account No. 50-1868, is enclosed. It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1868 Submitted with this Amendment and Response is a SECOND COPY of the Power of Attorney and Revocation of Prior Powers, and a Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73 (b) FILED NOVEMBER 19, 2001. Please address all future correspondence to:

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